

Showers Sunday; cooler Monday.

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STARTS VICE CRUSADE ON ALL CONDUIT ROAD SUNDAY LAWLESSNESS

Will Shut Down the Lid.

Gambling, liquor traffic, and Sunday amusements on the Conduit road must and will be stopped forthwith.

If Washingtonians must have drink, games of chance, and other amusements on the Sabbath day, why don't they fix up the places in the District of Columbia?

One place has been running unmolested year in and year out. I am unable to say why liquor selling and gaming has not been stopped there. It must be because of geographical location, graft, or peculiar influence.

Men have been carried on the pay rolls by these violators of the law simply to placate them or some of their friends.

The more prominent and influential the offender, the more vigorously they should be prosecuted.—State's Attorney Peter.

Determined efforts are to be made by State's Attorney Robert B. Peter, of Rockville, Md., to stamp out gaming, Sunday amusements and liquor traffic on the Conduit road.

Several days ago Mr. Peter appeared before the board of county commissioners in the court house at Rockville and made a two hours' speech on lawlessness on the Conduit road. Mr. Peter had made an unsuccessful effort to get the board to appropriate a sum of money with which he could carry out his idea of preserving the dignity of the law on the road, but at the end of his recent address the necessary funds were granted him. Money was placed at his disposal to employ detectives and deputies to make the necessary arrests and he was given free rein to spend as much as he should deem advisable.

With the support of the board and assurances that Judge Henderson will sentence the offenders as heavily as the statutes will allow, Mr. Peter expects to put an end to the violations.

Lawlessness Must Cease.

Speaking of the lawlessness on the Conduit road Mr. Peter said to a Times representative in Rockville yesterday: "These gambling and drinking houses have got to go. The sooner the proprietors realize that there is no place in Maryland for their business and that every day they ply their nefarious trade within the bounds of this county they are laying themselves liable to a fine of \$500 and six months' incarceration in the house of correction at Jessup, Md., the better it will be for them. I shall spare no expense or energy in rooting out the evil and showing these men that they are in bad."

"I am not a fanatic on this subject, because I have seen some wide open towns in my day. That is neither here nor there. The statutes say it is illegal and unlawful to dispense intoxicants in this county. The sandwich game doesn't go here. Whisky is whisky and beer is beer whether sold with a sandwich or by themselves. Games of chance are games of chance. It does not matter one whit whether they are indulged in or run by members of a club or organization. The bare fact remains that the games are played and that is all the law takes into consideration. The selling of any article on Sunday is a violation of the law in this State and the operation of merry-go-rounds, scenic railways and the like is also against the statutes."

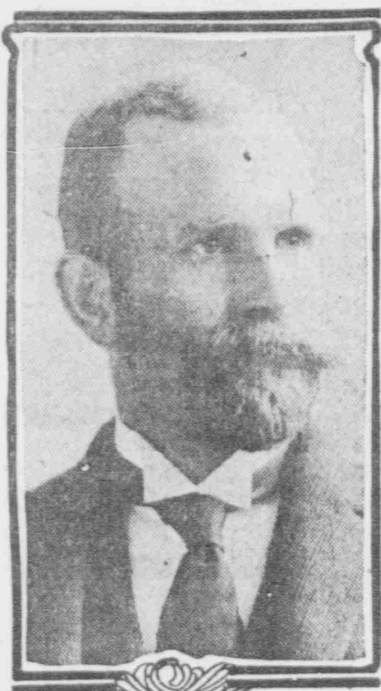
Offenders Are Prominent.

"These men have conducted their various resorts because they are prominent in the world of business, are rolling in wealth, and have much influence. I say the more influential and prominent the offender the more vigorous the prosecution should be, and I shall set to work on this principle. When a man of a criminal disposition sees another man, especially one of prominence and influence, violating the law openly, and with impunity, he will do the same thing when it is to his interests."

"What we have to contend with here, but won't tolerate much longer, is exactly the condition which Crandall Mackey found in Alexandria county, Va., when he went into office. He cleaned out that county in a very short time, although it did take him some little time. Mackey stirred up public sentiment, got the people on his side, and then started on his crusade. This is just what I intend to do. These speakshaws and the gambling places have been on the Conduit for so many years that it will probably look odd when they are closed, but closed they shall be, if I can possibly do it. The people have grown accustomed to seeing drunkards and gamblers on that road, and the blaring lights at the various resorts and because nothing has been done so far they have manifested but little interest. All I want is public sentiment, and I think the people are getting pretty well awake to the fact now that it is high time for some decided action. If it was possible for Mackey to clean out a county, it is possible for me to do the same thing, notwithstanding the fact that the places against which I shall wage war are of much longer standing."

TAFT MAY VISIT PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

In answer to a direct question as to whether he would accept the invitation to visit the Philippine Islands next spring and summer, and, if so, how the visit would affect his political or official future, Secretary of War Taft yesterday replied that it is true he had received an invitation from the islands to attend the opening session of the first elective native assembly, but he had not yet decided whether or not he should accept the invitation.



R. B. PETER,
State's Attorney at Rockville, Who
Has Begun a Campaign Against
Vice on Conduit Road.

LIFE BEATEN OUT, TIED TO FLYWHEEL; FIFTY ARRESTED

Revenge Alleged Motive
of Heinous Crime in
New York.

NEW YORK, July 14.—Fifty men, laborers at the J. B. King plaster works, at Richmond Terrace, New Brighton, S. I., were arrested this afternoon, charged with the murder of a fellow-workman, Frank Getzner, a Russian Pole.

Getzner was the victim of one of the foulest crimes perpetrated in the annals of crime in Greater New York, according to the police and Coroner Farrell, who are investigating the case. Desiring to be revenged upon Getzner, his companions in the workshop, it is charged, tied the man to a fly-wheel in the factory and watched him while the whirling machinery hurled his body through the air in great revolutions and beat his life out.

Looking for Instigator.

The police are looking for another man who is alleged to have been the leader in the affair. This man, another Pole, has been known at the factory only as No. 203. The police have located his place of residence.

Two weeks ago Getzner reported No. 203 for being delinquent in his work. The man was reprimanded and the investigation of his case brought to light the fact that others of the workmen likewise had been neglecting their duties. All came in for a share of the reprimand.

Planned Revenge.

From that moment, it is stated, the workmen have planned to be revenged upon Getzner. When the men who were employed on the night shift finished work this morning and were clearing the factory for the day force, one man, according to the police, spliced several pieces of rope used in tying up bars. Then the fifty men overpowered Getzner and tied his legs. The rope was passed over a shaft and allowed to trail and was wound up by the shaft. As the rope tightened Getzner was lifted from the floor and his body thrashed round and round, striking against beams and machinery until life was extinct. The body was still hanging there when the day shift came to work.

POLICE RECOVER GEMS WORTH \$500

The theft of \$500 worth of diamond rings and brooches from Mrs. B. Robinson at her home, 1809 Nineteenth street northwest, early last January, and which through succeeding months has been shrouded in mystery, puzzling the detectives at every turn, was cleared up last night, when Central Office detectives arrested Lizzie Dixon, a colored servant girl formerly employed by Mrs. Robinson, and found her wearing most of the gems which had been stolen. All but one of the diamonds were recovered. The girl is sixteen years old. She was lodged in jail.

Lumber at Old Prices Now!
at Libbey & Co., 6th & New York Ave.
—Adv.

MOTHER HOME, PLEDGES ALL TO SAVE THAW

Bowed With Grief, She
Is Refused Privilege of
Seeing Her Son in
Tombs Prison.

THAW DISMISSES ALL HIS COUNSEL

Sends Terse Note to Olcott
and Employs Personal
Friend to Conduct
His Case.

Mother's Fortune to Save Her Wayward Son

I have returned to America for the defense of my son Harry. I will spend my fortune, if necessary, to see that he obtains justice. I am in no position to discuss the case until I have had a conference with my son Josiah.—Statement of Mrs. William Thaw, conveyed by her son-in-law, George Lauder Carnegie, who accompanied her from Europe.

NEW YORK, July 14.—With the one idea of planning a defense for her son, who is a prisoner in the Tombs, charged with murder, Mrs. William Thaw, the leader of Pittsburgh society and the mistress of millions, reached New York late this afternoon on the Hamburg-American steamer Kaiserine Auguste Victoria.

Disappointment greeted her at the gang plank when the news was broken to her by her son, Josiah Thaw, that although she had hurried back from Europe she would not be able to see and talk with Harry Thaw until Monday, as a special permit for visiting the Tombs could not be secured.

That this son she loves needs his mother's aid and counsel was never demonstrated more plainly than today, when in a terse note he discharged the extremely successful criminal practitioners, Black, Olcott, Gruber & Bonyne, from further connection with his defense. In their stead he retained Clifford W. Hartridge, of 149 Broadway, not because of his ability as a criminal lawyer, but because he was an old personal friend from Pittsburgh.

Displeased With His Lawyers.

The plan which Thaw tersely dismissed by letter have worked night and day developing a defense which would probably save young Thaw from the electric chair. That this defense was taking the form of an insanity plea brought about Thaw's displeasure.

That they were overlooking no possible point in his favor was shown yesterday when they developed witnesses in the western part of the State, whom, it is said, the dead architect tried to hire to thrash Thaw.

The big Hamburg liner, on which Mrs. Thaw crossed the Atlantic, came in later than was expected, arriving at quarantine at 4 o'clock. Mrs. Thaw had kept to her state room the entire voyage, having been almost prostrated by the news which the Countess of Yarmouth broke to her in London a week after the murder. Mrs. George Lauder Carnegie, her daughter, mingled with the other passengers, but did not discuss the case.

Received Letter From Son.

After passing quarantine and on the short trip up the bay, Mrs. Thaw still kept to her suite. She received a letter from Harry Thaw, which was taken to quarantine by Chaplain Wade of the Tombs. It was in his own hand and affected her more than did the wireless messages which she received from him the last two days of the voyage.

The letter which the prison chaplain brought assured the mother of her son's love and thanked her for returning to aid him. It contained one most significant phrase:

"I am not insane."

Mrs. Thaw knew that his attorneys were working on this line of defense, for the daily papers published on the Kaiserine contained a Marconigram several days ago telling of the struggle to retain alienists.

Mr. and Mrs. Carnegie both talked with a reporter who boarded the steamer at quarantine. Mr. Carnegie made a formal statement in Mrs. Thaw's behalf.

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Mrs. Marguerite Baker Zelaya Tells Her Story to The Times



Marguerite Lee Baker Zelaya and Her Husband.

LIFE OF ROMANCE AND MISFORTUNE FREELY UNFOLDED

Remarkable History of
Girl Who Married a
President's Son.

"Sometimes I think it all over and I cannot realize these things have happened to me, a young, lonely girl. I only want to begin all over again, to start the struggle anew, to rise above the troubles that have beset me on every hand, and to conquer."

The words, tuned to rebellion against Fate and weighted with the pathos of the knowledge of life, are those of a beautiful young girl in whose veins she claims the blood of Virginia's most glorious warrior family is blended with that of a Spanish beauty. She spoke sadly, and yet strongly, her eyes, black as the spirit of night, looking out in brave resolution toward a future for which there was but small promise of happiness if the past is any earnest of what the years to come will bring.

In Sorrow's Shadow.

She who spoke was Marguerite Lee Baker Zelaya, upon whose path the shadow of sorrow has always been, and into whose babyhood, girlhood, and young womanhood, joy has entered but little and real happiness not at all. Blessed with distinguished lineage, touched at many times by the grasp of kindness, blown hither and thither by the winds of chance, she has had grief as her handmaiden and disappointment as the end of all her dreams.

This young girl, brushing back from her snowy forehead the masses of her black hair, voiced only the longings of a girl's heart, as she gazed through her window at the setting sun, seemed to forget the interest of the public in her and to think merely of the happiness she wished.

Great-Niece of Robert E. Lee.

She was born, she says, a great-niece of Gen. Robert E. Lee. She was put into an orphan asylum in Washington, but was taken from it just as her childish heart had begun to love her surroundings. She was adopted by George-town people, only to have her foster mother go insane and her foster father to lose his all in business failure. She became engaged to Alphonso Zelaya, son of the President of Nicaragua, merely to have him seized at her side and forcibly taken to his father's prison. She married young Zelaya, only to meet still greater unhappiness and

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MARGUERITE LEE BAKER ZELAYA,
In the Costume of a Spanish War Veteran, and as She Appeared When Giving
Her Story to The Times.

Robber-Reporters Fail; Banker Wins in Fight

DENVER, Col., July 14.—A daring attempt at bank robbery was committed this afternoon by D. K. Duncan and John Hastings, two newspaper men.

About 2 o'clock the men entered the private bank of Edward W. Elwell, in the heart of the city, through a side door, and one of them asked to see a safety deposit box, stating that he desired to rent one. It being a half holiday Mr. Elwell was alone in the bank, and as he turned to unlock a deposit box, Duncan attempted to deal him a heavy blow with a blackjack. Mr. El-

WEST WILL AID BUSINESS BOOM AMONG SHIPPERS

Commercial and Artistic
Development of City,
Side By Side,
Possible.

MOVE IS APPROVED BY EVERY CLASS

Meeting at Willard Hotel
Monday, When Commit-
tees Will Be
Named.

Still More Names.

John E. Taylor, president of the Potomac Navigation Company. Melville D. Lindsay, secretary of the M. Lindsay Rubber Manufacturing Company.

B. M. Bridget, Pennsylvania avenue and Ninth street northwest.

B. F. Anderson, president of the Anderson Dray and Storage Company.

James W. Dawson, manager of the Steel Cut Milling Company.

Lee L. Herrell, of Lee L. Herrell & Bro.

When Commissioner Henry L. West, in a statement to The Times last evening, gave assurance of his hearty support and encouragement of the movement to increase the jobbing and shipping business of Washington, the great circle of interests that have combined to make the campaign a success was completed.

In it now are bankers, real estate men, manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers, and the government of the District of Columbia. Every profession and business has put its shoulder to the wheel.

Mr. West points out the salient fact that artistic development of the National Capital need not be in any sense incompatible with its business and commercial growth, and he lets it be understood that if the business men of Washington will boom its prosperity along business lines, the government of the District will preserve the city's beauty.

Said Mr. West:

Commissioner West's Views.

"I am glad to see the business men organizing for the purpose of developing the commercial side of Washington. It is a practical, sensible step and eventually will greatly increase the wealth and importance of the National Capital. "While I am a firm believer in the beauty of Washington, I am not one of those who insist that beauty and mercantile progress are incompatible. On the contrary, London, Paris, Berlin and Vienna are great commercial centers, a fact which does not detract from their development as capitals of great empires. The ideal plan, of course, is to have the artistic and the commercial develop side by side and this can be accomplished by energetic and intelligent work. The artistic features are certain to be provided, for the people of the nation, stimulated by a proper pride in their capital, will welcome every movement toward its beautification."

"It remains for our own people, enterprising and devoted as they are, to attend to the material growth of the city. This is the work for us to do. It is work which can be done and will be done without aid from Congress; and it will be all the more effective because it is a strictly local endeavor. Let the shippers and the jobbers get together, therefore, in the effort to increase trade facilities. Their reward is doubly certain, for not only will they profit by their increasing business, but they will have the knowledge that by their efforts they are developing Washington. I earnestly welcome this new movement and feel assured that it will be crowned with success."

Everything is in readiness for the grand rally and first meeting of the Jobbers' and Shippers' Association of Washington, D. C., to be held tomorrow afternoon in the New Willard Hotel at 3:30 o'clock. The committee, it is expected, will be named before the meeting is over.

The First Call.

The first meeting of the members of the Jobbers and Shippers' Association of Washington, D. C., will be held in the library room, F street entrance, ground floor, of the New Willard, Monday, July 16, at 3:30 p. m.

Questions of vital importance will be considered.

O. J. BELL, Chairman.